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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: NOVEL PROTEIN-DEAMIDATING  
ENZYME, MICROORGANISM PRODUCING  
THE SAME, GENE ENCODING THE SAME,  
PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREFOR,  
AND USE THEREOF

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Examiner: M. N. Rao

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated June 14, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.